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¶1. (SBU) The Embassy raised reftel talking points with MFA Deputy Director General for Multilateral Affairs Marco Tulio Chicas, in the absence of more senior officials. Chicas took note of our concerns and promised to immediately relay our points to the Guatemalan PermRep in New York.

¶2. (SBU) The Ambassador subsequently urged Guatemalan participation in the UNSC open session on Iraq. Vice Minister Perez confirmed that Guatemala will speak in support of US/UK. Guatemala is number 42 on the list of speakers.
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